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Amend the second paragraph in the Background section on page 1 to read:

Strong demand requires telecommunication service providers to supply a variety of telecommunication services to their subscribers. Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) service, Integrated Service Digital Network (ISDN) service, Digital Added Mainline (DAML), Periodic Pulse Metering (PPM), or Teletax Service, P-Phone (Meridian Electronic Business Services), and Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) are common offerings.